

Remarks

The examiner objected that claims 4, 5, and 27 recite non-elected subject matter, and that claims 4, 5, and 15 are in improper dependent form. The applicants have canceled those claims.

The examiner objected that claim 19 lacks a period. The applicants have added a period.

The examiner rejected claims 2, 3, and 7 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, arguing that the limitation "derivatives thereof" renders the claim indefinite. The applicants have deleted that limitation from the claims.

The applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance.

The undersigned authorizes the Director to charge any fees required or necessary for the filing, processing or entering of this paper or any of the papers transmitted with it, and to refund any overpayment, to deposit account 01-0885.

Respectfully submitted,

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